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Applicants: Bertero et al.

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

COVER LETTER

In response to the Office Action dated February 6, 2004, Applicants enclose herewith a corrected copy of their Amendment filed January 16, 2004, along with the Declaration Pursuant to Rule 37 CFR 1.131 filed therewith.

Applicants' Attorney understands that the sole flaw in the earlier-filed Amendment was the failure to indicate that claim 2 was "currently amended" (as opposed to "amended"). If there are any other problems with the enclosed papers, please contact the undersigned attorney at (408) 732-9500.

The fee for the enclosed Amendment was paid on January 16, 2004. Accordingly, there should be no fees associated with this paper. If there are such fees, please deduct them from deposit account 500794.

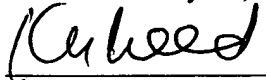
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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on February 10, 2004.

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